JULIA LETLOW, Ph.D. 5TH DISTRICT, LOUISIANA

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

SUBCOMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD & DRUG ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES

SUBCOMMITTEE ON LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, EDUCATION AND RELATED AGENCIES

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND THE WORKFORCE

letlow.house.gov

## Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515–1805

March 31, 2023

WASHINGTON OFFICE: 142 CANNON HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING WASHINGTON, DC 20515 Tel: (202) 225–8490 FAX: (202) 225–5639

DISTRICT OFFICES:

NORTHEAST LOUISIANA OFFICE 1900 NORTH 18TH STREET SUITE 501 MONROE, LA 71201 Tel.; (318) 570-6440

> CENTRAL LOUISIANA OFFICE 4124 JACKSON STREET ALEXANDRIA, LA 71301 TEL: (318) 319–6465

SOUTH LOUISIANA OFFICE 109 E OAK STREET AMITE, LA 70422 Tel.: (985) 284–5200

The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Columbia Port Commission Dock Improvement Project in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Columbia Port Commission located at 212 Jackson Street, Columbia, LA 71418.

The funding would assist with upgrading the existing earthen embankment area to a public dock on the Ouachita River, electrify the dock allowing for the use of electrical loading equipment, and build service roads to connect the dock to the rail spur, Louisiana Green Fuels Plant site, and LA Hwy 165. This project is a good use of taxpayer funding because it will make critical investments in the Port to assist with economic development efforts for the region by attracting more businesses and industries to the area, leading to job creation, and economic growth.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 46 USC 54301.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

I request you give this project every consideration, consistent with all rules and regulations. Thank you for your attention to this request. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Julia Letlow, Ph.D.

MEMBER OF CONGRESS

JL/ll